IMPROVING EDUCATION RESULTS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 1350, Improving Education Results for Children with Disabilities Act of 2003, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Boehner and Representatives McKeon, Castle, DeMint, Musgrave, Nethercutt, Bass, Simmons, Kirk, Bradley of New Hampshire, George Miller of California, Woolsey, Davis of California, Van Hollen, Millender-McDonald, Larson of Connecticut.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine health care access and affordability, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the District of Columbia Courts, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine medical programs of the Department of Defense, 11 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for foreign operations, 1:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the Fire Research Act, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider Treaty Doc. 108–4, Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the Accession of Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia, and S. Con. Res. 26, condemning the punishment of execution by stoning as a gross violation of human rights, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings to examine U.S. energy security, focusing on Russia and the Caspian, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 519, to establish a Native American-owned financial entity to provide financial services to Indian tribes, Native American organizations, and Native Americans, 2 p.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing on the Administration's Healthy Forests Initiative, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on U.S. Special Operations Command, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, on D.C. Courts, 1:30 p.m., 2362 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, on Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Šubcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, on Employment Assistance and Training Activities Panel, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation and Treasury, and Independent Agencies, on Executive Office of the President, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 108, encouraging corporations to contribute to faith-based organizations; H. Con. Res. 110, recognizing the sequencing of the human genome as one of the most significant scientific accomplishments of the past one hundred years and expressing support for the goals and ideals of Human Genome Month and DNA Day; H. Con. Res. 147, commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the Orphan Drug Act and the National Organization for Rare Disorders; H. Res. 201, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that

our Nation's businesses and business owners should be commended for their support of our troops and their families as they serve our country in many ways, especially in these days of increased engagement of our military in strategic locations around our Nation and around the world; and H.R. 1320, Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumers Protection, hearing entitled "Travel and Tourism in

America Today," 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing on United States monetary and economic policy, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on "Better Training, Efficiency and Accountability: Services Acquisition Reform for the 21st Century," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Human Rights, hearing on a Review of the State Department Country Reports on Human Rights Practices, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider H.R. 1298, U.S. Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act of

2003, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation and the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, joint hearing on Interpretations of Existing Ownership Requirements for U.S. Flag Dredges, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on Cur-

rent Amtrak Issues, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1460, Veterans Entrepreneurship Act of 2003; H.R. 1712, Veterans Federal Procurement Opportunity Act of 2003; and H.R. 1716, Veterans Earn and Learn Act, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing on Challenges Facing Pension Plan Funding, 2:30 p.m., 1100 Longworth.